



FINISHING INSTRUCTIONS

PRIMING

- 1) **APPLY AN OIL-BASED OR WATER-BASED ALKALOID PRIMER WITH STAIN RESISTANT CHARACTERISTICS TO PREVENT TANNIN ACID BLEED THROUGH WHICH IS NATIVE TO CEDAR, REDWOOD, MAHOGANY, FIR, AND SOME TYPES OF PINE.**
- 2) **ALLOW PRIMER TO DRY AS PER MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS AND SAND WITH #150 GRIT SANDING SPONGE UNTIL THE PRIMER IS SMOOTH TO THE TOUCH.**

PAINTING APPLICATIONS

- 1) **SAND ANY LOOSE FIBERS OR RAISED GRAIN AFTER PRIMING WITH FINE SANDPAPER**
- 2) **APPLY THE FINISH COAT TO ALL SIX SIDES OF THE SHUTTER AND LIGHTLY SAND AFTER DRYING. PROPER DRYING TIME IS EXTREMELY CRITICAL TO ENSURE YOUR SECOND COAT WILL ADHERE TO YOUR FIRST COAT WITHOUT BLISTERING OR PEELING. HIGH TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY ARE THE PRIMARY CAUSES FOR ADHESION FAILURE. ALWAYS FOLLOW YOUR PAINT MANUFACTURER'S DRYING TIME RECOMMENDATIONS.**
- 3) **CLEAR OFF ANY DUST WITH A CLEAN TACK CLOTH AND APPLY A SECOND FINISH COAT**
- 4) **CAULK TOP OF SHUTTER WITH A GOOD QUALITY EXTERIOR CLEAR CAULK FOR PROTECTION AGAINST INFILTRATION OF MOISTURE. FOR BEST RESULTS, WE SUGGEST THE USE OF COPPER CAPS TO SHED FROM THE TOP.**
- 5) **FOLLOWING THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL ENSURE THAT YOUR CEDAR SHUTTERS LAST FOR MANY YEARS. MAINTAINING THE FINISH AND PREVENTING WATER ABSORPTION WILL ENSURE YOUR WOOD SHUTTERS LAST A LIFETIME.**

STAIN APPLICATIONS

- 1) **WIPE SURFACE CLEAN AND REMOVE ALL HANDLING MARKS**
- 2) **APPLY STAIN PER MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS**
- 3) **SAND LIGHTLY OR USE A FINE STEEL WOOL FOR ANY GRAIN RAISING OR ROUGHNESS**
- 4) **APPLY AT LEAST TWO COATS OF QUALITY VARNISH OR POLYURETHANE SEALANT USING STEEL WOOL AGAIN BETWEEN COATS**
- 5) **COBBLESTONE CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR COLOR VARIATIONS WHEN STAINING CLEAR WESTERN RED CEDAR**

ECO-BLUE IS AVAILABLE IN CLEAR FOR STAINING APPLICATIONS UPON SPECIAL REQUEST